

Kansas State Safety Award Program – Criteria and Guidelines –

The Kansas Department of Labor (KDOL) and the Division of Industrial Safety and Health are pleased to introduce the ***Kansas State Safety Award Program (KSafe)***. The KSafe Program will begin January 1, 2006. Applicants must have no lost-time injuries in 2005. Please read the guidelines and criteria to determine if your company qualifies for this award.

Criteria for any location, unit or site:

- Employers with 100,000 work-hours without a lost-time accident are eligible for a certificate.
- Employers with 500,000 work-hours without a lost-time accident are eligible for a plaque.
- Employers with 1,000,000 work-hours without a lost-time accident are eligible to receive a special gift and will receive a Special Recognition Award at the Annual Kansas Safety and Health Conference held in October.

Guidelines:

- Awards should not be sought if the status of an injury or illness remains in question.
- An application form obtained from KDOL Industrial Safety & Health Division must be completed.
- Apply for an award within 45 days after satisfying the criteria.
- The number of hours without a lost-time accident must be listed.
- There must be NO uncorrected serious OSHA citations within the last 12 months.
- Your company must be in good standing with Kansas Department of Revenue (KDOR) and be current on all tax rolls.
- A formal safety program must be in place.
- A formal employee safety training program must be in place.

The following procedure will be followed by KDOL after your application is received.

- Validate records regarding lost-time accidents with KDOL Workers Compensation Division.
- Review OSHA records for serious citations occurring in the past 12 months.
- Validate tax records with KDOR.
- Validate all criteria and guidelines information and review operations with the applicant.
- Initial award determinations will be made by the Director of Industrial Safety and Health.
- Formal award determinations will be made by the Secretary of the Kansas Department of Labor.